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SUBJECT: LAO ATTACK CONSTELLATION VISIT TO THAILAND

1. LAO NATIONAL RADIO IN FRENCH AND ENGLISH MAY 30 AND 31 AND THE LAO PARTY NEWSPAPER "VOICE OF THE PEOPLE" MAY 30 CARRIED A COMMENTARY CONDEMNING THE VISIT OF THE U.S. CONSTELLATION TO THAILAND AND USING THE VISIT TO LAUNCH AN ATTACK AGAINST U.S. POLICY VIS-A-VIS THE NATIONS OF INDOCHINA AND THAILAND.

2. THE COMMENTARY QUOTED THE FOLLOWING EDITORIAL FROM THE VOPT CALLING IT A LEGITIMATE DENUNCIATION: "THIS ACT...TRAMPLES ON THE INTENTIONS AND JEOPARDIZES THE FRUITS OF THE COMMON STRUGGLE OF THE THAI PEOPLE FOR THE DISMANTLING OF THE AMERICAN MILITARY BASES IN THAILAND."

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3. THE LAO COMMENTARY ADDED: "THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS WHO HAVE NOT YET GIVEN UP THEIR AGGRESSIVE INTENTION ARE INCESSANTLY CARRYING THEIR DESIGNS OF AGGRESSION IN NEW FORMS. THEY ARE USING THE MOST HEINOUS WAYS AND MEANS TO SABOTAGE AND DESTROY THE LPDR, THE SRV AND DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA. ESPECIALLY

THEY HAVE FOSTERED THE LAO REACTIONARY TRAITORS IN EXILE IN THAILAND AND ORGANIZED AND SENT THEM TO DISTURB THE SECURITY AND NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION IN LAOS. WITH VIETNAM THEY HAVE LOOKED FOR ALL WAYS AND MEANS TO TAKE THE ADVANTAGE OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT ON VIETNAM BY SOLELY IMPLEMENTING THE PROVISIONS AND ARTICLES WHICH FAVOR THEIR INTEREST AND BY FAILING TO IMPLEMENT THEIR RESPONSIBILITY IN PARTICIPATING IN HEALING THE WOUNDS OF WAR AND THE POST-WAR RECONSTRUCTION IN VIETNAM. IN KAMPUCHEA THEY HAVE CEASELESSLY TAKEN SABOTAGE SCHEMES, PARTICULARLY THEY HAVE USED THE THAI REACTIONARIES TO CAUSE PROVOCATION ACTIONS AT THE BORDERS. AND IN THAILAND THEY HAVE BROUGHT THE THAI REACTIONARY WARLORDS TO LIFE AGAIN TO CARRY THE INTERNAL POLICY OF SUPPRESSING THE THAI PATRIOTIC FORCES AND TO IMPLEMENT THE EXTERNAL POLICY THAT RUNS COUNTER TO PEACE, FRIENDSHIP AND NON-ALIGNMENT."

4. THE LAO CONCLUDED THE COMMENTARY BY TERMING THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER'S ARRIVAL AS "NOT ONLY AN INFRINGEMENT UPON THE SOVEREIGNTY OF THAILAND BUT A THREAT TO PEACE AND SECURITY IN THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN REGION, ESPECIALLY TO THE LPDR."

5. THE LAO PARTY "VOICE OF THE PEOPLE" MAY 31 ALSO CARRIED A NHAN DAN EDITORIAL ATTACKING THE CARRIER'S VISIT IN THE SAME TERMS AS THE LAO AND VOPT COMMENTARIES.

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6. COMMENT: THIS IS STANDARD LPDR PROPAGANDA BOILER PLATE INTERESTING PERHAPS ONLY BECAUSE IT REITERATES GENERAL ACCUSATIONS THAT THE UNITED STATES IS ORGANIZING AND DESPATCHING "LAO REACTIONARIES" TO LAOS DESPITE THE REFUTATION OF THOSE ACCUSATIONS BY SENATOR MANSFIELD, THE WOODCOCK COMMISSION AND DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OAKLEY. CORCORAN

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